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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Announcement of Committee Chairmanships
at USIB

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1. The two new Chairmen you will be announcing at the Executive Session of today's USIB are: Dave Brandwein to the SIGINT Committee, replacing Jim Reber; and [redacted] to GMAIC, replacing Brandwein. [redacted] has been the CIA representative on GMAIC.

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2. In view of what I believe to have been a favorable reaction on the part of [redacted] when I told them on Monday of Brandwein's appointment, I do not believe your announcement at USIB needs to be as carefully worded or as cogently argued as might otherwise have been the case. Brandwein as a person will be familiar to all at the table and will require no introduction as such. I would suggest you indicate that Reber's successor had to be carefully selected in view of the immense role SIGINT plays in the life of the community, the technical problems which face it in the immediate future and the resource limitations which are bound to be present. You might say that you and the Board will be needing the best possible advice on SIGINT plans and programs and that the Committee will be the first place you will be looking for such advice; the corollary to this will be the requirements tasking which the Committee will continue to levy, particularly on NSA and NRO, and which will need to be done in a realistic resource context. Not the least of these will be our over-all and continuing preoccupation with SIGINT satellite planning and programming. All of this, you might say, will require aggressive SIGINT Committee leadership, under an experienced hand, talents you believe Brandwein has already demonstrated to the community. Finally, you might say that Brandwein will be spending a lot of time at NSA and NRO, among others, as he gets into his SIGINT shoes.

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3. [] appointment should require much less introduction, pointing out that he has been the CIA member of GMAIC for five years, as well as Chief of the Systems Division in FMSAC during the same period. As background, [] has served as a technical intelligence officer in the Army and, subsequently, as a civilian, has worked for the Army as a mechanical engineer on guided missiles and later as an aerospace engineer before joining CIA in 1964. 25X1

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